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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Sonic, other carriers, and a full economic study all disagree with USTelecom on this key point they are trying to push:

"In the residential marketplace, competition will not be materially effected by forbearance from Section 251(c)(3) because there is no remaining UNE-based competition in that marketplace."

That is a flat-out lie.

Sonic residential subscribers like me do exist, and every one of their subscribers would be "materially affected".

In fact, those effects would be profound; without access to UNE services, Sonic wouldnt have been able to connect consumers while they build our fiber networks, nor fund the construction of the fiber networks. And once fiber networks are built, UNEs are still used they connect from city to city and are the key backhaul for all of our fiber networks.

So yes, that statement USTelcom is trying to push down your throat IS a lie.
Not a misunderstanding, not data manipulation..... it is a LIE.

So, as a residential Sonic customer, all of us Sonic.net users will be materially affected if this petition is granted.

Thank you in advance for preventing USTelcom to succeed in destroying what we need and disallow them to dominate this field of communication.

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